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Letter dated 5 July 2002 from the Permanent Representative of Japan to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

I have the honour to refer to Economic and Social Council decision 2000/229 of 26 July 2000 entitled "Fifteenth and Sixteenth United Nations Regional Cartographic Conferences for Asia and the Pacific". In paragraph (a) of that decision, the Council recommended that the Sixteenth United Nations Regional Cartographic Conference for Asia and the Pacific be convened for five working days in mid-2003.

On this matter, I would like to submit herewith an application from Japan for hosting the Sixteenth United Nations Regional Cartographic Conference for Asia and the Pacific in the year 2003.

I should be grateful if the text of the present letter could be circulated as a document of the substantive session of 2002 of the Economic and Social Council, under agenda item 13 (c) (Economic and environmental questions: statistics).

Furthermore, the Economic and Social Council is cordially invited to decide on Japan's aforementioned application.

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